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For: **IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE  
PROCESSING METHOD AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, finally rejecting claims, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.